Registered sex offenders and kidnapping offenders are documented through the sheriff's office of each county. Convicted sex or kidnapping offenders must register for varying lengths of time, depending on what class their crime was. Level 3 is the highest level, those most likely to reoffend. Those that must register are required to notify the sheriff's office within three days each time they move. Regardless, remember that most sex offenders are not registered, because most victims of sexual assault do not report the crime and their perpetrators do not get prosecuted.

Below are several links to help you locate local registered sex offenders or gather more information. For more information on sex offenders not listed on the site (Level 1 offenders) contact the police department or the sheriff's office.

- United States Department of Justice – National Sex Offender Public Website (www .nsopw.gov)

- **OffenderWatch** (<u>www.sheriffalerts.com</u>) Link takes you to Whitman County Sheriff's Office subsection of the Offender Watch program.
 - KlaasKids Foundation (www.klaaskids.org)